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Contracts I, Fall 2009

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Required Texts and Course Materials:

Robert Scott & Jody Kraus, *Contract Law and Theory* (4th Edition)

James E. Byrne, *Restatement 2nd and US UCC Article 2: The Texts, The Comments & The Illustrations* (3rd ed.)

For each class, you are responsible for reading (in the Supplement) all the provisions of the *Restatement 2d of Contracts* and the *Uniform Commercial Code* cited referenced in the Casebook assignment for that day – including all of the associated comments, illustrations, and notes. Additional handouts, assignments, and other materials may be posted on TWEN, which you should consult regularly. Lecture slides will be made available on TWEN *after* class.

Final Exam and Grading: The final exam will be a 2 hour open-book/ open-note test including some combination of multiple choice, short answer, and long essay questions. At least one sample exam will be made available prior to the exam. The final exam will contribute 100% to your final grade. Your grade may also be adjusted by one third of grade point (e.g., B to B+, A to A-) *upward or downward* to reflect the level and quality of your class participation.

Class Participation: We will discuss class participation, as well as what you can expect and will be expected of you on the first day. But some general guidelines are as follows: (1) attendance in a manner consistent with Law School policies is a minimal requirement, (2) quality of participation is weighed much more heavily than quantity, (3) out of class participation via office hours and email are considered as part of your class participation, (4) failure to prepare for class is the easiest way to assure a downward participation adjustment.

Reading Assignments: This syllabus includes a tentative schedule of the materials we will cover throughout the semester. Reading assignments are subject to change at any time for any reason.

Intellectual Property: I own all course content that I create, regardless of form (electronic, print, audio/video, etc.), including recordings of class sessions, office hours, and other meetings. You are forbidden to use them with, or distribute them to, anyone other than your classmates in this course.

Reading Assignments*

August 24:	1-22; Orin Kerr, <i>How to Read a Legal Opinion</i>
August 31:	23-52
September 7:	NO CLASS
September 14:	64-93; 100-112
September 21:	127-147
September 28:	147-162
October 5:	201-234
October 12:	NO CLASS
October 13**:	245-276
October 19:	279-298
October 26:	313-352
November 2:	375-384; 389-409
November 9:	409-410; 440-456
November 16:	456-480
November 23:	480-501; 52-64; 501-515
November 30:	515-537; FINAL REVIEW

Final Exam: DECEMBER 5th 12:00 noon

*Page numbers refer to the casebook. You are also responsible for reading any UCC or Restatement section (with accompanying notes, illustrations and comments) referenced in the reading assignment.

** Note this is a Tuesday class.